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THE MONEY MARKET.

SILVER BEING ACQUIRED AND HELD ON CHINA ACCOUNT.

Messrs. Samuel Montagu and Co. write from London on March 25, as follows:

The Bank of England secured the bulk of the arrivals of bar gold totalling about £700,000 at the minimum of 77s. pd.

The following amounts were received by the bank:

March 18, £140,000, March 19, £91,000, March 20, £42,000, March 21, £62,000 in bar gold, March 22, £400,000 in U.S. gold coin and £10,000 in sovereigns from Guayaquil, March 23, £21,000 in bar gold, £21,000 in U.S. gold coin and £30,000 in sovereigns from Egypt. March 24, £225,000 in bar gold and £5,000 in U.S. gold coin.

Withdrawals were made as under:

March 18, £160,000 in sovereigns for Buenos Aires, £7,000 in sovereigns for Brazil, March 19, £5,000 in sovereigns for South America, making a net influx of £1,167,000.

SILVER.

The market appears to have reached a period of stagnation. On the one hand, sellers deal with obvious reluctance, regarding the price as far from tempting; whilst buyers are slow to come forward, and sluggish in operating. The Bombay market is inactive, and speculation there almost dead; no shipments of any consequence are expected to be made by this week's steamers to India. Silver continues to be acquired and held on China account. Now that the value of money is assuming little importance here, Banks prefer to ship their holdings to the East, rather than to postpone—except at even rates, and as will be seen by our quotations, there has nearly always been a 1/16d. difference in price between the two positions. On the few occasions lately when cash and two months silver were quoted at the same price, the purchase of forward has been far more difficult than the cash silver.

On the 9th instant a shipment of 385,000 oz. was made from San Francisco to the East.

The quotations to-day for cash, 13 1/4d. and two months 13 3/16d. are 1/16d. lower than those fixed a week ago.

QUOTATIONS.

Quotations for bar silver per oz. Standard. Mar. 19—23 1/4d. cash 23 1/4d. two months. Mar. 20—23 5/16d. " 23 3/4d. " Mar. 21—23 1/4d. " 23 5/16d. " Mar. 22—23 1/4d. " 23 5/16d. " Mar. 23—23 3/16d. " 23d. " Mar. 24—23 3/16d. " 23d. " Mar. 25—23 1/4d. " 23 3/16d. " Average for the 23.229 " 23.281 " week.

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The above signals will, as heretofore, be hoisted only when typhoons exist in such positions or are moving in such directions that information regarding them is considered to be of importance to the Colony or to shipping leaving the harbour.

These signals are repeated at the Harbour Office, H.M.S. "Tamar", Green Island Signal Mast, and the Flagstaff on the premises of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company at Kowloon.

URGENT SIGNAL.

In addition to the above, when it is expected that the wind may increase to full typhoon force at any moment, the following Urgent Signal will be made at the Water Police Station, and repeated at the Harbour Office.

THREE EXPLOSIVE BOMBS, AT INTERVALS OF TEN SECONDS.

A Black Cross will be hoisted at the same time, superior to the other shapes.

NIGHT SIGNALS.

The following Night Signals will be exhibited from the Flagstaff on the roof of the Water Police Station at Kowloon, the Harbour Office Flagstaff, and H.M.S. "Tamar".

I. Three Lights Vertical, Green Green Green, indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated more than 300 miles from the Colony.

II. Three Lights Vertical, Green Red Green, indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated less than 300 miles from the Colony.

III. Three Lights Vertical, Green Red, indicates that the typhoon is expected to increase to full typhoon force at any moment.

No. III. will be accompanied by the Explosive Bombs above, in the event of the information contained by this signal being first published by the press.

These Night Signals will be substituted for the Day Signals at sunset, and will, when necessary, be hoisted during the night.

SUPPLEMENTARY WARNS.

For the benefit of Native Craft and passing Ocean Vessels, a Cone will be exhibited at each of the following stations during the times that any of the above Day Signals are hoisted in the Harbours:

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This will indicate that there is a depression somewhere in the China Seas, and a Storm Warning is hoisted in the Harbour.

Further details can always be given to Ocean Vessels, on demand, by signal.

Cone.

Wind.

Cloud.

Rain.

Thunder.

Lightning.

Fog.

Ice.

Snow.

Hail.

Thunder.

Lightning.

Fog.

Ice.

Snow.

Intimation.

SIR ROBERT HART ON CHINA.
INTERESTING SPEECH AT THE
AUTHORS' CLUB.

Sir Robert Hart was the guest of the Authors' Club at a dinner held at Whitehall Court on 22nd ult. The menu included "birds'-nest soup," and on the card, designed by Mr. Charles Ince, the menu was translated into Chinese by Mr. Ivan Chées, secretary to the Chinese Legation. On the top table was a model in sugar of the summer-house in Sir Robert Hart's garden in Peking. Lord Monkswell, who presided, in proposing the health of Sir Robert Hart, said—

The life work of our very distinguished guest carries us back to the days of Lord Palmerston, whose high-handed methods with China were not universally acceptable to his own countrymen. The problems he was called upon to solve seemed with danger and difficulties. When he was appointed the Chinese had lately been very roughly handled by us. They were at first unduly and suspicious. They naturally suspected the foreigner of "running the show" for his own benefit. But Sir Robert Hart showed the metal that the best Englishmen are made of. He was not appalled by the difficulties or the magnitude of the task he had taken in hand. He had the patronage of a enormous staff under him. Every country in Europe was interested in his appointments and keen to scent the suspicion of a job. But it was soon apparent that neither fear nor favour entered into his composition. One great secret of Sir Robert Hart's success is his entire sympathy with the Chinese people. The success of this department, organised on European lines and carrying on its operations with mathematical accuracy, amid the comparative chaos of Oriental methods, has made a profound impression on the more progressive Chinese. The material advance made by China in the direction of introducing Western teaching and Western manufactures is largely due to this object-lesson. Not content with organising the Customs, our guest in 1869 took over the administration of the Post Office, which he founded and developed over the greater part of China. Lighthouses are also under his control. It is, moreover, confidently reported that he has frequently acted as adviser to the Throne of China on all manner of subjects not connected with his own work. He was in Peking throughout the siege of the Legation in 1900. Our guest has done a great work, and a work that will be his enduring monument.

SIR ROBERT HART'S REPLY.

Sir Robert Hart, after describing the ease with which his wife learned music, stated that during the Boxer trouble some European troops got out of hand and commenced to loot. A party of Russian soldiers entered the house of one of his bandsmen and threatened violence to the man's mother and sister. The bandsman then played the Russian National Anthem and the soldiers stood at attention, saluted, and passed out without saying a word. He often thought he had wasted a good deal of money in keeping up the band, but that little incident was worth all the money he had spent, for it saved property and protected women from outrage. (Cheers.) Proceeding, Sir Robert said: A country which covers some five million square miles of the earth's surface, divided into some two dozen provinces, which are each large enough to be kingdoms themselves, the smallest having a population of six or seven millions and the largest of sixty or seventy; a people whose numbers comprise some four hundred millions, and whose history goes back some five thousand years; a literature which has been growing through two dozen centuries; a Government which subsists on the moral support of its subjects rather than on the physical force of its armed men—these and other categories into which the subject might be divided give room, enough for lengthy treatment, and even then would be but skimmed over. I therefore avoid detail as much as possible, and only put before you some general thoughts on this occasion.

The Chinese may be said, in a general way, to be a homogeneous people, but, of course, spread over so large a superficies, while there is general similitude, there are infinite differences, the outcome of climate, environment, occupation, &c. The Chinaman of to-day may be considered the product of heredity, education, and custom. Ask him why he does so, and so, he replies, "Busy old custom," and that old custom has come down through, perhaps, a hundred or more generations, is now as much part of his nature as acquired habit could possibly be. Possibly heredity has had more weight in China than elsewhere, its influence coming down from a far-away past into the life of to-day in a continuous stream, and with so little disturbance from without among that exclusive and self-centred people. Education in China has been of its own kind, and has had for object rather the formation of character and the performance of duty than the spread of what our Western world considers knowledge. "You have husbands and wives—you have parents and children—you have brothers and sisters—you have friends and relations—you have neighbours and acquaintances—you have your Emperor and his representatives the officials. Each of these relations has its duties; fulfil them and you will be right—fail to fulfil them and ill will follow." There is nothing controversial—noting that it requires proof—in such teachings, and sensible men—and Chinese are very sensible people—accepted the Confucian teaching, revered it, and lived the life. The result is a singularly law-abiding people, intelligent, frugal, industrious, and contented. They have, during their long life, had experience of possibly every kind and the opportunity, common sense, view of life and its surroundings. The teaching has, however, the defects of its qualities; it has been excluded from the schools by foreign influence, it does not supply what the times call for, the methods which enables a people numberless in size to grow, it being also later in the field. The convert is not always easily made for his converts

future, and all that science can teach, or ability to do can perform, will sooner or later be possessed in full. The Chinaman, however, is not in a hurry; he takes things quietly and goes slowly, but he will go surely. Years ago the Prime Minister, Wan Hsiang, said to me, "You had better let us sleep on it; if you will awaken us, we'll go further and faster than you like." They are awake now, and the new learning is at work all over the country, but mistakes will be made and the crop will not yield so much or so quickly as has been anticipated. It is an easy task to force four hundred millions of people into line, yet the new learning will have scholars, and the end will be the product of evolution at work, and the fitter will survive. The Government, marching with the times, has promised the Chinese people a Constitution, and with it some form of representative or parliamentary procedure. What this will eventually be remains to be seen, but, as a matter of fact, China is, and has always been, a Constitutional Power, the Emperor's action being guided by laws that exist, by precedents on record, and by procedure which has become fixed. Representation has hitherto been enjoyed in a measure, inasmuch as the official appointments have all been open to the people and competitive examinations have long been the rule, and the gentry in every province enjoy, too, a certain amount of parliamentary life, as they are called on by the officials to form committees for handling various local measures. Every Chinese official has a seal of office which is handed over to his successor with form and solemnity, and it is that, and not his signature, which counts. There is a Censorate, the members of which have the right to criticise, and they may even question the Emperor's own performance of duty, a right which Confucian teaching establishes, for the Emperor owes duties to his subjects just as they do to him, and it is the subject's duty to displace an Emperor who fails to perform his duties just as much as it is his duty to punish subjects who fail in theirs. During its 5,000 years of history China has seen many dynastic changes, and each of them has been ushered in by the failure of the occupant of the throne to fulfil his duties and by the proved superiority of the leader who establishes himself on the throne thus enthroned. "So," said Chow, "I just said to him, 'Set your mind at ease; I'll attend to everything: you just shut your eyes and go!' and he thereon closed his eyes, and soon died quietly." Annual families visit their burial places, and spreading feasts before the tombs for the delectation of the departed, eat and drink themselves, and overhaul the site, cleansing and beautifying it. This regard for the departed—"Ancestral worship," as it is called—acts as a check on the wantonness of descendants, and a man would suffer much himself rather than be false to this cult and degrade his ancestors. It has its bad side, tending to keep in the old and keep out the new, in surgery in particular. The materia medica of China is large, but I reign prescriptions would find it difficult to use, though some of the nostrums are possibly efficacious. The celebrated Bishop Favier said his only relief from his gout was an extraordinary Chinese prescription. And now I think I have taken up enough of your time, but the subject is one that cannot be exhausted. (Cheers.)

A short discussion followed.—L. & C. E. Price.

Intimations.

SPECIAL NOTICE.
CHARGEURS REUNIS:
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Hongkong, 15th April, 1900.

Intimations.

MOTHERS SHOULD KNOW.

The troubles with multitudes of girls in a want of proper nourishment and enough of it. Now-a-days, they call this condition by the learned name of Anemia. But words change no facts. There are thousands of girls of this kind anywhere between childhood and young ladyhood. Disease finds most of its victims among them. They are too weak and frail to resist. Some of them are passing through the mysterious changes which lead up to maturity and need especial watchfulness and care. Alas, how many break down at this critical period; the story of such losses is the saddest in the history of home. The proper treatment might have saved most of these household treasures, if the mothers had only known of

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, APRIL 27, 1909.

THE PROSPECTIVE REVIVAL OF TRADE.

The effect of the general depression which was experienced all over the world last year is now being manifest in the speeches of the chairmen of some of the great companies at the annual meetings of shareholders, at home, and abroad. One of the hopeful features of the situation as it is viewed at present by those competent to judge is the fact that the gloom which existed in trade circles in 1908 is now declared to be passing away and brighter prospects are visible right along the line. At the annual meeting of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China held in London last month, the chairman remarked that "the year 1908 was marked by a most extraordinary contraction and stagnation of trade throughout the world, and this contraction was not peculiar to any one country or to any one fiscal system—it was universal. The causes were numerous, and the set-back was not unexpected, but the storm came with full blast. Its effects were severe, but they have now for the most part passed away, and the atmosphere is clear." The last sentence was doubtless received with satisfaction by the shareholders, especially when the speaker added "without wishing to be in any degree over-sanguine, I think I may say that we may fairly anticipate a gradual, but satisfactory and general, revival of trade. That revival will not be felt at once, but I believe it has commenced. We shall probably see the full effects in the fall of the year. The reasons for my opinion are these:—On this side of the world we see cheap money, improved credit, and a plentiful supply of gold. In the year 1908 the output of gold was about 84 millions sterling, and South Africa contributed 34 millions of this amount. There is also in my opinion a general desire for peace. The financial exhaustion of modern warfare, however successful, is so great, so injurious, so far-reaching, that every civilised nation is most anxious to avert the terrible risks of war and all that it means. In the East we may

see the terribly congested state of the import markets is certainly improving. That congestion, as you probably know, has not been the outcome of one year, but of several years' overtrading in China. As, however, I have said, the import markets are improving, but we cannot hope for any great extension of China's foreign trade until that all-important question of currency has been dealt with boldly, effectively, and intelligently. Until we see a recognized silver coin of fixed value and fixed purity issued by the Imperial Mint and taken in payment of all Imperial dues and State obligations; until we see the Board of Finance exercising the necessary control on the provincial mints, and the stoppage of an unlimited issue of copper cash by those provincial mints; until we see the still more pernicious system of the issue of notes by the native banks, regardless of a bullion backing, we cannot hope to see that great extension of commerce which is justified by the wealth of the country and by the requirements of the population."

In this connection it may be noted that the opinion of the directors of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation coincides with that of the directors of the Chartered Bank, for at the last meeting Mr. Shellim in submitting the report and accounts for the half-year indulged in the following remarks:—"Although I cannot say that trade in the Far East during the past six months has been altogether satisfactory, yet the hopeful view of the prospects taken at our last meeting has, I think, been justified. A healthier tone is noticeable, business generally is on a sounder basis, stocks of imports are gradually being reduced, and crops have been good. Renewed commercial activity has sprung up throughout America, while in Europe money continues plentiful and cheap. Thus the time seems ripe for a return to prosperity and the commencement of a new period of expansion in trade." With regard to the International Banking Corporation, one of the leading American institutions doing an extensive business in the Far East, it was noted in the half-yearly statement that "business in the Far East during the year rallied spasmodically in some directions, but as a whole remains quiet, and, while we are rather more than holding our own, our profits are in consequence small. Under existing conditions the resumption of dividends must be further deferred; the contraction which we deemed it prudent to make in our commitments in anticipation of, and during, the recent panic resulted, as might have been expected, in the alienation of a certain amount of our business, but we hope by the diligence of our staff and by attention to interests of our customers to soon regain our position." The banks are therefore practically unanimous on the question of the revival of trade, but so far as Hongkong is concerned much will depend on the action of the Imperial Government with respect to the opium regulations. It was noted by the Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewett at the annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, that "It is, however, satisfactory to be able to record that H. M. Government has so far realized the hardship caused to this Colony as to promise to ask Parliament to give a substantial contribution towards making good to the Colony the direct loss of revenue resulting from measures adopted under their instructions. It now remains with this community as a body to see that full and adequate compensation be accorded, the more so as we have already, as pointed out by His Excellency, suffered heavy loss through the action of the people at home. With reference to this trade the financial statement of the Indian Government shows, as regards the year 1908-9, an increase in opium revenue of £1,041,300, and a decreased expenditure on the same of £239,600. The increase was due partly to the higher price realised for opium sold by the Government at Calcutta, and partly to heavy advance payments of duty made by growers of Malwa opium in order to secure the right of exporting their opium in 1909-10 in spite of the limitation of the total amount to be exported in that year. For 1909-10 the Budget estimate of revenue shows for opium (owing to the anticipation of lower prices at Government sales in Calcutta, and to accumulation of duty-paid opium at Bombay) a decrease of £1,468,200. The opium trade apart, the portents for the present year are distinctly favourable and it only remains to hope that they may be realised."

RUSSO-BRITISH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

The existence of the informal entente between Great Britain and Russia has led to the establishment of what is known as the Russo-British Chamber of Commerce, which has been formed with the object of "promoting an economic concord" between the two countries "on the basis of commercial and industrial interests." Through the courtesy of Mr. P. H. Tiedemann, the Russian Consul at Hongkong, we have received a copy of the statutes of the Chamber, from which we gather that the headquarters will be situated in St. Petersburg and that it will be inaugurated on a purely commercial footing, seeking to promote the trade interests of the two nations concerned. In order to understand the character and constitution of this new organisation it may not be out of place to give an idea of the

terms of what may be described as the programme. It is proposed that in order to attain the objects of the Chamber it shall be in close touch with the Russian Section of the London Chamber of Commerce, exchanging useful information, and shall co-operate with the above-mentioned Chamber in the development of commercial and industrial relations between the two countries. Further, we read that the Chamber shall, by every means in its power, render support to its members within the limits of its objects, and also to other parties interested in commercial and industrial relations between Russia and Great Britain; collect, arrange, and circulate all manner of statistical and other information relating to the trade and industry of Russia and Great Britain (such as: data relating to trade customs, the state of the market, prices, and so forth); and shall publish periodical organs and special inquiries; facilitate the interchange of opinions on questions of a commercial and industrial character amongst its members and also amongst other interested parties, for which purpose it shall convene periodical meetings, conferences, lectures, and excursions in and to commercial and industrial centres. It appears that the Chamber will be under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry of Russia, and will appoint agents both in Russia and abroad. The annual subscription for active members has been fixed at 25 roubles for private individuals and trade and industrial firms while societies, limited liability companies and trade and industrial institutions will be charged 100 roubles, or, say, £2.10s and £10 respectively. The remainder of the rules and regulations are of the usual character and do not call for special remark, but it is clear that every effort will be made to maintain the reputation of this new institution. There is, no question that if the Russo-British Chamber of Commerce is properly managed it should do much to break down the barrier of misunderstanding and commercial suspicion which too long has been erected between Russia and the United Kingdom. The only point is that no special provision seems to have been made for interesting British merchants in the scheme, beyond securing for the members information respecting British trade generally. Whether British merchants will support the Chamber is another matter, seeing that the London Chamber of Commerce has already provided itself with a Russian section, while the other Chambers throughout the Kingdom have their foreign committees to depend upon for news respecting Russian commercial affairs. However, it is probable that as the value of the Russo-British Chamber is appreciated the scope of its operations will be extended and the importance of its work enhanced. In any case the movement which has been sanctioned by the TRA is a step in the right direction towards international fraternity and for that reason, as well as for others, is deserving of approval.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

QUARANTINE restrictions against arrivals from Bangkok have been withdrawn.

A new barrister (Mr. Challoner Alabaster) has been admitted to practice in the Supreme Court of Hongkong and China.

THREE men and two women were charged separately in the Police Court this morning with kidnapping children from the interior of China and bringing them to Hongkong to be sold. The cases were adjourned.

A SUSPICIOUS person, giving the name of Lu Ngau, who was found roaming about the city at an early hour this morning for an unlawful purpose, was sentenced to fourteen days' hard labour in the Police Court to-day.

NEARLY a dozen Chinese shopkeepers were prosecuted in the Police Court, this morning, before Mr. F. A. Hazlewood, for giving un-stamped receipts to customers when collecting money. The defendants were each fined \$2.50. We have received a copy of the first number of a new weekly called *The Echo*, which is published in Hongkong by Messrs. Guedes & Co. Whether it will succeed is for time to show, but there should be room for a really live untrammelled causerie of opinion in the Colony.

A SMART capture was made by an excise officer at night. The exciseman saw a man carrying a basket, which was filled with eggs. Under the layer of eggs the exciseman discovered a quantity of illicit opium. On being charged in the Police Court to-day, the accused was fined \$2.

Mr. Lai Pak—*I don't see why the poor Chinese should be made to suffer for the delay in extending this section of the cemetery. Not to say inconvenience, it will cost them more money, which they can ill afford, to send their dead from one end of the town to the other to be buried. Pending the passing of the Amendment Bill, the other sections should be used for live burials.*

Mr. Ho Kom Tong—*I agree with Mr. Lai Pak.*

TAT CHUNG, his comrade in Queen Victoria Street, was fined \$75 in the Police Court, this morning, for selling adulterated brandy. It was proved that defendant had purchased each case of the alleged cognac for \$5 and was selling a bottle for seventy cents—a profit of thirty cents on each bottle. Inspector Wilson

Plague at Sam Chun.

SEVERAL FATAL CASES REPORTED.

PROMPT ACTION TAKEN BY THE AUTHORITIES.

The following minute by Mr. R. O. Hutchison, Acting Head of the Sanitary Department, was considered at the meeting of the Sanitary Board held this afternoon.

A report has been received from the District Officer, Tai Po, that a serious outbreak of plague has occurred at Sam Chun, in Chinese territory. There is said to have been over a hundred deaths during the last few days, and the two markets have not been held owing to the outbreak. The people have been fasting and noisy ceremonies held to drive away the sickness.

One man from Fan Ling in the New Territories died in Sam Chun from what is said to have been plague.

The District Officer has been authorised to stop hawkers from crossing the frontier at Sam Chun into our territory. The Captain Superintendent of Police is watching the launches coming to Hongkong for sick people.

SOLDIERS AND SAILORS' HOME.

GRAND GARDEN FATE.

A meeting was held at the City Hall, yesterday afternoon, for the purpose of discussing arrangements in connection with a proposed grand garden fete which will be held on the 1st prox. at the Botanic Gardens, in aid of the funds of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home and Seamen's Institute. Sir Francis Piggott took the chair. A large number of ladies were present, including Mrs. F. H. May. Among the gentlemen present were Col. Darling, R.E., and Mr. S. T. Dunn. The Chinese were also represented at the meeting in the person of Mr. Ho Kom-tong. The following Committee of Management was appointed:—Col. Darling, R.E., Commodore Lydon, R.N., Lady Piggott, Mrs. F. H. May, Major Fisher, Mr. S. T. Dunn, Superintendent, Statistical and Astronomical Department, and Mr. A. Moreno, hon. secretary.

One of the features of the evening will be an illuminated dragon—some fifty feet long.

Mr. Ho Kom-tong was asked and has kindly consented to arrange for display on Wednesday week. In the Chinese section, which will be under the supervision of that public-spirited gentleman, will be a flower stall and a refreshment stall which will be attended by Chinese ladies of the upper circle. Other attractions to the fete will comprise wax works, cast chantant, Japanese jugglery, etc.

The idea of gardens, etc., in Hongkong is not a novel one; it has been tried before with considerable success, and the surprise is that more of such fêtes are not arranged for where contributions to the funds of any institution deserving of public support invariably get value for their money.

MOUNT CAROLINE CEMETERY.

MINUTE BY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

The following minute is by Dr. F. Clarke, Medical Officer of Health, addressed to the Head of the Sanitary Department:

There is only room for 39 more graves in Section A of Mount Caroline Cemetery.

The P.W.D. are apparently unable to do anything towards laying out a further area at

an extension of section A until the Legislative Council pass the bill relative to disinterments

and the Board then authorizes the same. I think

the only course to adopt is to ask the Hon.

Registrar-General to notify all the undertakers

in the City that Section A will be full about

the end of this month and that therefore no

further interments can take place in this section

of Mount Caroline Cemetery after that time.

Section A is the free section and the effect of

this filling up at Mount Caroline will be to direct

all such interments to the Kai Lung Wan

cemetery, which at present is not used at all

as it should be.—Cemetery Bye-law 13 states

that the sections are to be of such size and ar-

rangement as the Board may direct and there-

fore this minute should be submitted to the

Board. I think so that they may know that

Section A is practically full. The Board is

already aware of the difficulties which have

arisen in connection with the question of dis-

interment of the remains from ancient graves.

For the whole of the 2nd intercalary moon

the total number of passengers was 125,816

and the amount collected in fares and freight

was \$16,655.66.

THE S.S. "SCANDIA."

FURTHER PARTICULARS NOT AVAILABLE.

With reference to the stranding of the Hamburg-American Liner's s.s. *Scandia*, which occurred late on Sunday afternoon, substantial particulars of which were published by us in our last issue, up to a late hour this afternoon, the tug *David Gillies*, whose services have been secured for refloating the *Scandia* from her position, had not returned from her work of salvage, and therefore no further particulars are available at the time of going to press.

BELLE VILLE HOTEL.

LIQUOR LICENCE GRANTED.

The adjourned application from Arthur E. Gagor for a publican's licence, to sell by retail intoxicating liquors on the premises No. 2, Pak Sui Wan, under the sign of the *Belle Ville Hotel*, came up for further consideration at the Magistracy this afternoon. When the application first came before the Justices of the Peace it was suggested that certain repairs to the building were necessary, under the Sanitary Board regulations, and it was for that purpose the adjournment was ordered.

Mr. J. H. Kemp presided. Other Justices present were:—Messrs. C. A. D. Melbourne and W. Bowen Rowlands.

The Chairman stated that the premises were now in a satisfactory condition; there were no police objections, and the application was granted.

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

MACAO DELIMITATION COMMISSIONER.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 26th April.—On the morning of the 23rd instant the Special Commissioner, H. E. Ku Yu Hin, called on Viceroy Chang Jen Chua and had a conversation with him for about three hours before he left.

HOUSE COLLAPSE.

At 5 p.m. yesterday two buildings in Luen Street collapsed without warning. Five persons were seriously wounded and twenty-seven others slightly injured. The members of the Red Cross Society on learning of the accident at once proceeded to the scene to render assistance and have now the injured under their care.

OFFICIAL'S DEPARTURE.

Colonel Im Kie, who is transferred to Fukien as Inspector of Finance, left there this afternoon by the steamer *Kangha* for Hongkong en route to his destination.

MILITARY OFFICER EXECUTED.

By order of the Viceroy a military officer named Hung Chiuk Kin was executed yesterday in the presence of the Provincial Judge, for the crime of manslaughter.

RAILWAY TRAFFIC.

For the last nine days of the 2nd intercalary moon the number of passengers carried by the Canton-Haikow Railway and the amount collected in fares were as follows:

Number of Passengers	Amount collected

Telegrams.**"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH"****SERVICE.****TSUK-YUNG-HANGCHOW RAILWAY.****COLLAPSE OF BRIDGE.***[From Our Own Correspondent.]*Shanghai, 27th April,
4.5 p.m.

The bridge of the Tsuk-yung-Hangchow Railway has collapsed. There is a gap of thirty feet.

CHINESE ENGINEERING AND MINING CO.**QUESTION OF CONTROL.***[By courtesy of the "Sheng Po".]*

Peking, 26th April.

The officials and gentry in the Chihli province have petitioned the Waiwupu and the Ministry of Agriculture, Commerce and Industry on the subject of recovering the control of the Kaiping (Chinese Engineering and Mining Co.'s) mines into the hands of the Chinese.

FOREIGN REPRESENTATIVES.**VISIT TO EHO PARK.***[By courtesy of the "Sheng Po".]*

Peking, 26th April.

The special ambassadors from the various Powers (who are in Peking to attend the funeral of the late Emperor Kwang Su) will pay visits to the Eho Park to-day and to-morrow.

EMPEROR KWANG SU'S FUNERAL.**MAINTENANCE OF ORDER.***[By courtesy of the "Sheng Po".]*

Peking, 26th April.

The Prince Regent has given instructions to Prince Su to have more policemen on duty to maintain order on the occasion of the funeral of the late Emperor Kwang Su.

VICEROY SIK LIANG.**DEPARTURE TO THE EASTERN PROVINCES.***[By courtesy of the "Sheng Po".]*

Peking, 26th April.

H.E. Sik Liang, Viceroy-elect of the Three Eastern Provinces, will proceed to the Three Eastern Provinces to take up his new appointment after the 15th day of this month (4th prox.).

TANG SHAO-YI.**THE GOVERNORSHIP OF FENG-TIEN.***[By courtesy of the "Sheng Po".]*

Peking, 26th April.

Viceroy Sik Liang has telegraphed to H.E. Tang Shao-yi to return to Fengtien as Governor.

EMPEROR HSUAN TUNG.**UNDER THE REGENTESS' CHARGE.***[By courtesy of the "Sheng Po".]*

Peking, 26th April.

The Regentess will take up her residence in the Palace after the 30th inst., in order to look after the Emperor.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.**MAILS DUE**Indian (*Gregory Appear*) 28th inst.English (*Delta*) 28th inst., 6 p.m.Indian (*Lighthill*) and prox.German (*Prinz Eitel Friedrich*) 6th prox.Indian (*Saintine*) 8th prox.Canadian (*Empress of India*) 14th prox.The C.N.C. Co.'s ss. *Tsun* left Manila on 27th inst., and is due here on 30th inst.The C.N.C. Co.'s ss. *Anhut* left Shanghai on 26th inst., and is due here on 28th inst.The C.N.C. Co.'s ss. *Kaifeng* left Manila on 26th inst., and is due here on 3rd prox.The C.N.C. Co.'s ss. *Changsha* left Sydney on 15th inst., and is due here on 9th prox.The Appear Co.'s ss. *Lighthill* from Calcutta left Singapore this morning, and is expected here on 2nd prox.The Appear Co.'s ss. *Japan* from Yokohama, Kobe and Moji left Moji on 25th inst., and may be expected here on 29th inst., afternoon.The P.M.S.S. Co.'s ss. *Manchuria* from Yokohama on 27th inst., 12.30 p.m., and Manila, and is due to arrive here on 1st prox.The C.P.R. Co.'s ss. *Monteagle* arrived at 12.30 p.m. on 25th inst., and left again on Monday, 26th April, for Shanghai.The Appear Co.'s ss. *Empress of India* is due to arrive here on 1st prox.**HONGKONG SCHOOLS SPORTS.****A SUCCESSFUL MEETING.**

Patrons: H.E. Sir Frederick Lugard, The Right Rev. Bishop Lander, The Right Rev. Bishop D. Peroni, Major-General R. G. Broadbroke, Vice-Admiral the Hon. Sir H. Lambton, Commodore H. Lyon, R.M., Mr. E. A. Irving, Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Sir C. P. Chater, Mr. H. N. Mody, Mr. J. J. Leiris, Consul for Portugal and Brazil, Clerks of the Courts;—Mr. A. R. Subberland, Mr. S. Hoare, Mr. S. R. Moore. Starters:—Mr. A. Morris, Rev. Bro. Cyrius, Judge:—Mr. H. Sykes, Rev. Bro. Christian, Hon. Dr. Hu Kai, C.M.O., Mr. Ho Tung, Hon. Mr. Wei Yuk, C.M.O., Messrs. Fung Yu Choo, Lau Che Pak, Ho Kom Tong. General Committee:—Messrs. R. C. Barlow, A. O. Brown, A. W. Grant, G. P. de Martin, H. L. O. Garrett, A. R. Sutherland, R. H. Birbeck, A. H. Cook, B. Tanner, S. R. Moore, W. H. Williams, Rev. Bro. Cyrius, A. Morris, W. Curwen, W. H. Viveash, P. Currie, V. Sykes, Working Committee:—Messrs. R. C. Barlow, A. O. Brown, B. Tanner, A. R. Sutherland, H. L. O. Garrett, A. Morris, S. R. Moore, P. Currie, Rev. Bro. 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Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	{ \$1,560,000 \$222,757 \$411,990 \$183,000}	none	\$14 for 1907	73%	\$187½ sales
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	\$15	\$5	{ Tls. 250,000 Tls. 305,747 Tls. 218,277}	Tls. 150,512	Final of 7/6 making 15/- for 1907	51%	Tls. 105
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	18,400	\$250	\$100	{ \$1,000,000 \$100,000 \$197,249 \$68,169}	\$2,464,938	[Final of \$17 making \$17 for 1907 and interim of \$30 for 1908]	6%	\$790 ex div. b.
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	18,000	\$100	\$60	{ \$1,000,000 \$154,421 \$199,061}	\$707,637	\$12 and bonus \$3 for 1907	71%	\$202½ ex div. b.
FIRE INSURANCES.								
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	\$100	\$20	{ \$1,000,000 \$143,651 \$28,101}	\$375,341	\$6 and bonus \$1 for 1907	71%	\$105 buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	{ \$1,000,000 \$148,173}	\$368,731	\$12 for 1907	81%	\$335 sellers
SHIPPING.								
China and Manlia Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	\$25	\$25	{ \$1,000,000 \$264,638 \$90,067}	\$1,035	\$1 for 1906	...	\$13 sellers
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	20,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$1,000,000 \$240,000}	Nil.	2½ for year ending 30.6.1908	71%	\$36 sales
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	{ \$607,500 \$79,421 \$23,344}	\$20,279	Final of 1½ making \$2½ for 1908	81%	\$30½ buyers
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. (Preferred)	60,000	As	As	{ \$10,000 \$240,000}	As	[6/- for 1907 on Preference shares only @ ex 1/10 11/16—\$3.154]	41%	\$48 buyers
do. (Deferred)	60,000	As	As	{ \$10,000 \$240,000}	As	[6/- for 1907 on Preference shares only @ ex 1/10 11/16—\$3.154]	41%	\$26 buyers
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited (Preference)	200,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 75,000 \$720,000 \$2,000,000}	Tls. 45,110	Final of Tls. 1½ making Tls. 3½ for 1908	71%	Tls. 51 sales
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	2,000,000	As	As	{ \$2,000,000 \$16,000 \$547,321 \$8,000}	As	Second interim of 1/- for a/c 1908	71%	Tls. 57 buyers
"Star" Ferry Com., Ltd., Limited	10,000	\$20	\$20	{ \$10,000 \$10,000}	As	\$1 for 1907	81%	\$14½ buyers
Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 48,175 Tls. 44,101 Tls. 8,000 Tls. 7,000}	Tls. 2,215	Final of Tls. 1½ making Tls. 2½ for 1908	11%	Tls. 25 sales
REFINERIES.								
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$100	{ \$350,000 \$35,848}	Dr. 55,858	\$5 for year ending 31.12.08	31%	\$137½
Luton Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	\$100	{ none Tls. 100,000}	Dr. \$135,833	\$1 for 1907	...	\$15
Peak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 9,173 Tls. 100,000}	Tls. 9,173	Tls. 3½ for year ending 31.8.08	...	Tls. 132½
MINING.								
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	1,000,000	As	As	{ \$175,000 \$13,289}	Dr. 1,1556	[Final of 1/6 (coupon No. 11) for year ending 29.2.08]	7%	Tls. 18 sales
Raub Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	150,000	As	As	{ \$18,188 \$2,181}	Dr. 2,192	No. 12 of 1/—8 cents	...	\$8 buyers
Docks, WHARVES & GODDOWNS.								
Fenwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	\$25	{ \$42,916 \$150,000}	Dr. 57,431	\$1.75 for year ending 31.12.06	...	\$12
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$26,806 \$40,000}	Dr. 58,102	Final of \$1½ making \$1½ for 1907	...	\$53 buyers
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.	50,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$19,197 \$100,000}	Dr. 58,798	Final of \$4 making \$8 for 1908	10%	\$79 sellers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 697,457}	Tls. 23,742	Interim of Tls. 2½ for 6 months ending 31st October, 1908	51%	Tls. 80 buyers
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company, Limited	36,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ Tls. 50,000 Tls. 285,000}	Tls. 22,818	Final of Tls. 6 making Tls. 10 for 1908	6%	Tls. 166 sellers
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.								
Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd.	25,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ Tls. 35,000 \$20,000 \$1,000}	Dr. 4,134	Tls. 6 for year ending 29.2.09	6%	Tls. 100 buyers
Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai)	30,000	\$25	\$25	{ \$24,220 \$24,642}	Dr. 4,220	\$2½ for year ending 30.6.07	...	\$20½ buyers
Central Stores, Limited	50,188	\$25	\$25	{ \$24,642 \$1,000}	Dr. 4,642	\$1.20 on old and 6 cents on first new issue	...	\$18½ sales
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	15,000	\$20	\$20	{ \$568,973 \$73,913}	As	Final of \$3 making \$6 for 1908	71%	\$82 buyers
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$100	{ \$250,000 \$221,273}	Dr. 56,475	Final of \$3½ making \$7 for 1908	7%	\$97½ buyers
Hampshire Estate & Finance Company, Limited	150,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$43,361 none}	Dr. 55,486	6 cents for 1908	7%	\$8,100 buyers
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	\$50	\$50	{ none}	As	\$1 for 1908	5%	\$30
Stan Ha Land Investment Company, Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 1,453,045 Tls. 321,000}	Tls. 142,404	Final of Tls. 3 and bonus of Tls. 2 making Tls. 8 for 1908	7%	Tls. 117 buyers
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	{ Tls. 321,000 \$1,000}	As	Final of \$2 making \$4 for 1908	9%	\$44 buyers
COTTON MILLS.								
Two Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 150,000 \$10,000}	Tls. 5,850	Tls. 5 for year ended 31.10.1908	41%	Tls. 121 buyers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	125,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$10,000 \$20,000}	59,553	50 cents for year ending 31.7.08	51%	\$9 sellers
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	{ Tls. 175,000 Tls. 100,000 none Tls. 31,171}	Tls. 8,372	Tls. 6 for year ending 30.9.06 (8%)	...	Tls. 92 buyers
Leoti-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ none Tls. 40,000}	Dr. 4,829	Tls. 4 for 1908	...	Tls. 111 buyers
Soy Chue Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 15,911 none}	Tls. 50 for 1906	Tls. 410
MISCELLANEOUS.								
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	{ \$1,500 \$40,000}	£648	1/10 per share for 1907=1.037...	10½%	\$102 sales
Gilia-Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	{ \$10,000 \$10,000}	Nil.	\$2 for year ending 30.6.07	...	\$11½ sales
Gilia Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	As	As	{ \$1,000 \$1,000}	As	\$1.20 on old and 6 cents on first new issue	...	\$12½ sales
Do. Do. special shares	125,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$10,000 \$10,000}	As	50 cents for year ending 31.7.08	51%	\$82 buyers
Gilia Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.	125,000	As	As	{ \$10,000 \$10,000}	As	1st Quarterly div. of Tls. 11½ for account 1909...	...	Tls. 92 buyers
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$10,000 \$10,000}	As	... 1/10 per share for 1907=1.037...	7%	\$17½ sales
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	400,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$10,000 \$10,000}	As	Final of 50 cents making 90 cents for 1908...	16½%	\$8,900 sellers
H. Price & Company, Limited	125,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$10,000 \$10,000}	As	75 cents for 9 months ending 31st 3.07 ...	8½%	\$12 buyers
Hall & Holtz, Limited	21,000	\$20	\$20	{ \$186,000 \$1,000}	As	2½ for year ending 28.2.08	8½%	\$23 buyers
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$1,000 \$1,000}	As	5½ and bonus 20 cts. for year ending 29.2.09	6½%	\$18½ ex div. b.
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	\$25	{ \$150,000 \$20,000}	As	Final of \$1½ per share making \$1½ for 1908...	12½%	\$15½ sellers
Hongkong Ropeway Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	60,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$26,166 \$8,900}	As	Final of \$1 per share making \$1 for 1908...	8½%	...
Maatschappij tot Mijia, Bosch en Landbouwexplotaties in Langkat, Limited	25,000	Gas. 100	Gas. 100	{ Tls. 547,500 Tls. 62,914}	Tls. 10,682	1st Quarterly div. of Tls. 11½ for account 1909...	41%	Tls. 100 b.
Peak Tramways Company, Limited	25,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$5,000 \$1,000}	As	... 80 cents on fully paid shares and 6 cents on 51 paid shares for year ending 30.4.08 ...	6%	...
Philippine Company, Limited	75,000	\$10	\$10	{ none}	As	None	4%	...
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited</								